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1a. [X] Enclosed is specification, claims and drawings of the divisional application with a copy of the Oath or Declaration in the prior application.

1b. [] Enclosed is a copy of the prior application including a copy of the Oath or Declaration.

1c. [] A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.

1d. [] Paper entitled Deletion of Inventor(s) Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2).

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7. [X] New formal drawings are enclosed. 50 Sheets, Figs. 1-75B

8. [X] The prior application is assigned to Olympus Optical Co., Ltd., Tokyo Japan

9. [] Copies of Verified Statement(s) claiming Small Entity Status filed in said application Serial No. _____. Small entity status is still proper and desired.

10. [X] Incorporation by Reference: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 1a or 1b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

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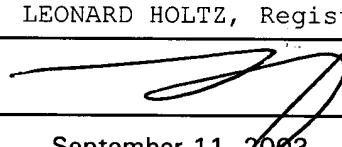
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